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### Iowa Ag News – Cattle on Feed

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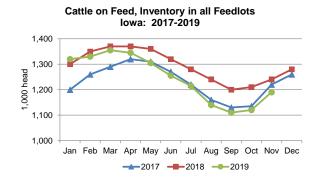
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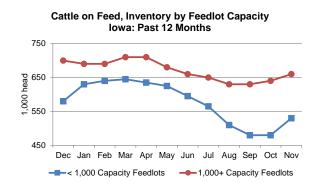
Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 660,000 head on November 1, 2019, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was up 3 percent from October 1, 2019, but down 6 percent from November 1, 2018. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 530,000 head on feed, up 10 percent from last month but down 2 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,190,000 head, up 6 percent from last month but down 4 percent from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during October totaled 114,000 head, up 39 percent from September and up 7 percent from last year. Feedlots, with a capacity of less than 1,000 head, placed 122,000 head, up 44 percent from September and up 63 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 236,000 head, up 41 percent from September and up 30 percent from last year.

**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during October totaled 92,000 head, up 31 percent from September but down 1 percent from last year. Feedlots, with a capacity of less than 1,000 head, marketed 67,000 head, down 16 percent from September but up 26 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 159,000 head, up 6 percent from September and up 9 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 7,000 head.

**NOTE:** This report is a combination of estimates from the USDA *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head and the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship-funded *Cattle on Feed* survey for Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head.





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Item	Feedlots 1,000+ capacity	Feedlots less than 1,000 capacity	All feedlots								
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)								
Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> , October 1, 2019	640	480	1,120								
October placements	114	122	236								
October marketings	92	67	159								
October other disappearance 2	2	5	7								
Cattle on feed, November 1, 2019	660	530	1,190								

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: November 1, 2018-2019

State	Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> November 1		Placements during October		Marketings during October		Other disappearance <sup>2</sup> during October					
State	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18	2018	2019	'19 as % of '18
	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)	(1,000 head)	(1,000 head)	(percent)
Arizona	287	256	89	23	25	109	30	21	70	1	1	100
California	520	540	104	61	75	123	56	54	96	5	6	120
Colorado	1,020	1,070	105	195	240	123	150	155	103	5	5	100
Idaho	270	290	107	57	63	111	45	45	100	2	3	150
lowa	700	660	94	107	114	107	93	92	99	4	2	50
Kansas	2,360	2,430	103	405	460	114	395	400	101	20	10	50
Minnesota	150	130	87	39	39	100	18	13	72	1	1	100
Nebraska	2,590	2,450	95	650	670	103	480	480	100	10	10	100
Oklahoma	325	325	100	54	61	113	52	50	96	2	1	50
South Dakota	240	245	102	74	82	111	48	45	94	1	2	200
Texas	2,680	2,870	107	465	530	114	430	435	101	15	15	100
Washington	230	235	102	51	51	100	40	40	100	1	1	100
Other States	320	330	103	67	67	100	50	45	90	2	2	100
United States	11,692	11,831	101	2,248	2,477	110	1,887	1,875	99	69	59	86

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### UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED

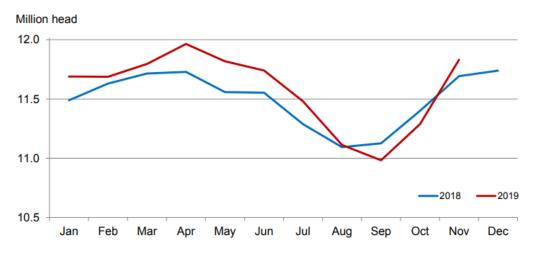
Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 11.8 million head on November 1, 2019. The inventory was 1 percent above November 1, 2018.

Placements in feedlots during October totaled 2.48 million head, 10 percent above 2018. Net placements were 2.42 million head. During October, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 600,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 540,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 517,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 475,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 230,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 115,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during October totaled 1.88 million head, 1 percent below 2018.

Other disappearance totaled 59,000 head during October, 14 percent below 2018.

# Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.